Surgical Research Society - 2021 September Meeting Eastern and Greater Southern Sydney Surgical Skills Training Network

Date: 28th October 2021

Venue: Zoom

Attendees

- David Abi-Hanna, Ben Xie, Nicholas Skladnev, Avinesh Chelliah, Elisa?, Olivia Leicester

Research and Quality Showcase Update

- Hybrid event planned for now
- Aim is to give those conducting research a platform to share their research achievement and progress
- Research can be presented through an abstract, poster, oral presentation
- Very flexible submission requirements, open to all MOs, ILP/P3 medical students

Research Update

- Avi:
 - Ongoing study with rhinologist from SCH
 - Recently
- Nick:
 - TXA research submitted to AOA for oral presentation
 - Ongoing case report

How to Write an Abstract - Dr Daniel Daly

- General research advice
 - Keep an eye out for opportunities
 - Be realistic in expectations of the project
- Abstract writing does not need to wait until the final manuscript or project is completed. Starting early can allow you to submit the abstract to various conferences/presentations so that ideally by the time you are accepted/will present, the final nuances of the project will be complete.
- Consider what journals you are applying to
 - Some journals may not accept certain case reports, case series
 - Read the journal to consider what they tend to include/accept
 - This can also help guide the writing of the abstract with respect to writing the title and constructing the abstract
- Consider which conferences you apply to
 - Consider that some conferences will publish accepted abstracts in the subsequent journal issue. This may represent a publication depending on what stage of training you are in
- Approach to writing the abstract
 - What is going to capture the interest of the reviewers?
 - Always bear in mind the basic requirements for fonts, formatting, images etc.

- Keep the abstract contents neat and clean, only highlighting the most important findings/conclusions
- A succinct, punchy submission is more likely to be accepted
- Timing is key
 - Consider deadlines for conference submissions
 - Consider timing of submission relative to job/SET applications
- Q&A
 - Should research presented at a conference be yet to be published?
 - Depends on the conference
 - Sometimes you can approach your data/research from a different angle

Final 2021 Events

- November Meeting: Thursday 25th
- Research Showcase: Thursday 9th December